

Highway News

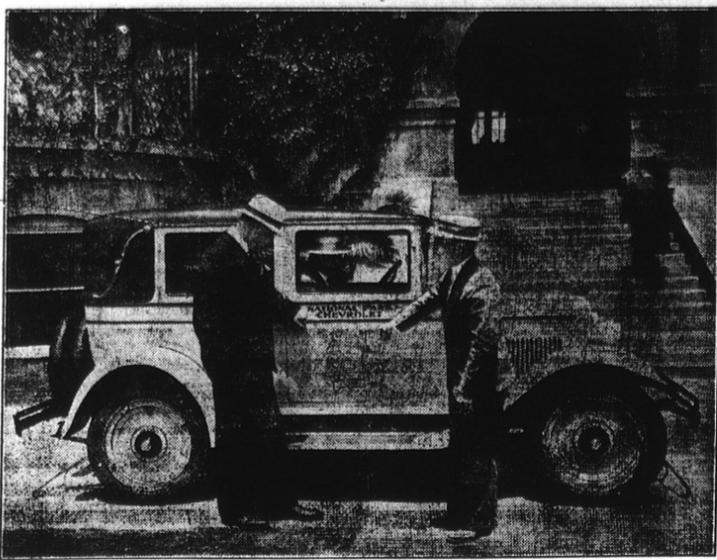
Notes on California Roads Furnished by National Auto Club

For motorists who desire a trip far off the beaten paths and to a virgin mountain territory, North Pinos, lying in the hills back of Lebec, offers such an opportunity. Mount Pinos was once the scene of logging operations and two small sawmills were in operation, cutting timbers to be used in the horax mines located in the valley below. The result of these operations was to clear the sides of Mount Pinos of smaller trees, leaving the tall monarchs at the higher elevations looming heavenward. A road extends up the slopes to an elevation of 3300 feet. The route to this scenic spot lies through Cabanero Pass, San Fernando, Newhall, Saugus, and over the Ridge to a point between the roadhouse known as Gorman's and the Lebec Lodge. Here a sign indicates the road to Frazier Mountain Park. A well traveled dirt road leads past Frazier Park and over a slight divide into Cuddy Valley. Several miles beyond Cuddy Valley signs will be found indicating the road to Mount Pinos. The road soon becomes narrow and winding, and except for the road there is no sign of civilization within view. On every turn are had vistas of lower-lying ridges and swaying branches, and nature beckons one to penetrate deeper into the cool shadows of the hillsides. It is well worth while to climb to the foot of some lofty pine and rest comfortably on a bench of soft pine needles and contemplate the beauty and quiet of the surroundings.

Alta Canyada Canyon is one of the delightful picnic spots easily accessible from Los Angeles. It is reached by driving through Glendale to Montrose (via Verdugo road), thence about one mile east to Barr Avenue. Then turn left (north) and follow the signs. This canyon has a wealth of native trees and shrubs and a delightful little stream that comes tumbling down over cascades and miniature waterfalls. There is a lovely tree-shaded picnic ground, with tables, benches, running water, and a large oven with fuel for those who wish to broil steaks or chops. Near by is a playfield for children, with swings, seesaws, a slide, and an archery range. There are numerous hiking trails and bridle paths through the canyon and over the hills to the Angeles National Forest.

Fishing is exceptionally good in the following streams in the Bishop district: Owens River, Rock Creek, McGee Creek, Hot Creek, Rush Creek, Walker Creek, Reverse Creek, June, Gull, and Silver

Chevrolet Starts On National Park Trip



A flying trip through the national parks, beginning in Los Angeles and touching each in turn, including the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, Zion and Bryce Canyons in Utah, Rocky Mountain National Park near Denver, Yellowstone, Rainier, and all the rest, was started last week from the grounds of the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. Harold Stonier, vice-president of the university, officiated at the start, and wishes W. S. Wood, who is making the tour, the best of luck and the best of weather for his long trip.

Lakes. The best bait: salmon eggs, worms, flies and spinners. The days are agreeably warm, but the nights are always cool enough to cause blankets to be fully appreciated.

Commanding the admiration of motorists on account of its unusual and ever-changing beauty, Mono Lake, skirted on the west by the El Camino Sierra section of the State highway, is one of the most weird and interesting of the many playgrounds of Inyo and Mono Counties, according to information received from the touring department of the National Automobile Club. Seen from the wooded slopes

The official national park car is a Chevrolet Imperial landau, finished in cream Duco, with a map of its proposed route painted upon the door. The car is from the Chevrolet Motor Company, and the trip is sponsored by that organization. Educational in its plan and objects, the tour contemplates photographs of scenic points along the way, and an account of the roads and scenes which the car will experience, for use in newspaper articles throughout the country. It is believed this will help in acquainting the public with the possibilities of the great national park

islands are the home of hundreds of sea gulls, and during the season great bands of ducks and geese feed around the shores of the lake. Within sight of the lake are located the extinct volcanoes known as the "Mono Craters." They cover an area of ten by twenty miles and rise to an elevation of 9000 feet. In the nearby mountains good fishing and hunting are had.

Wood will return to Los Angeles with the Chevrolet later in the summer after the tour has been completed.

The Cochrane bridge across Mobile Bay on the Old Spanish Trail route will open on June 14. It will be operated as a toll bridge with a charge of \$1 per car, including driver, and 10 cents for each passenger. Prices for trucks and buses vary according to size.

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